



# **INVITATION FOR BID** Amendment -- 2

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**DESCRIPTION:** To establish a contract to provide reagents, controls, and equipment for the analysis of  
Thalassemia and/or Sickle Cell Screening of Newborns for the South Carolina Department of  
Health and Environmental Control.

**USING GOVERNMENT AGENCY:** SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

*The Term "Offer" Means Your "Bid" or "Proposal".*

**SUBMIT OFFER BY:** (Opening Date/Time): December 13, 2007/2:30 pm ET See "Deadline for Submission of Offer" provision  
**NUMBER OF COPIES TO BE SUBMITTED:** One copy

**Offers must be submitted in a sealed package. Solicitation Number & Opening Date must appear on package exterior.**

**SUBMIT YOUR SEALED OFFER TO EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING ADDRESSES:**

MAILING ADDRESS:	PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
SC DHEC Division of Procurement Services Bureau of Business Management 2600 Bull Street Columbia, SC 29201	SC DHEC Division of Procurement Services Bureau of Business Management 2600 Bull Street, Room 1200 – Aycock Bldg. Columbia, SC 29201

See "Submitting Your Offer" provision

<b>CONFERENCE TYPE:</b> N/A <b>DATE &amp; TIME:</b> N/A As appropriate, see "Conferences-Pre-Bid/Proposal" & "Site Visit" provisions	<b>LOCATION:</b> N/A
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<b>AWARD &amp; AMENDMENTS</b>	Award will be posted on <b>December 20, 2007</b> . The award, this solicitation, and any amendments will be posted at the following web address: <a href="http://www.scdhec.net/procurement">http://www.scdhec.net/procurement</a>
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You must submit a signed copy of this form with Your Offer. By submitting a bid or proposal, You agree to be bound by the terms of the Solicitation. You agree to hold Your Offer open for a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days after the Opening Date.

<b>NAME OF OFFEROR</b> <small>(Full legal name of business submitting the offer)</small>		<b>OFFEROR'S TYPE OF ENTITY:</b> <small>(Check one)</small> <input type="checkbox"/> Sole Proprietorship <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Corporate entity (not tax-exempt) <input type="checkbox"/> Tax-exempt corporate entity <input type="checkbox"/> Government entity (federal, state, or local) <input type="checkbox"/> Other
<b>AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE</b> <small>(Person signing must be authorized to submit binding offer to enter contract on behalf of Offeror named above.)</small>		
<b>TITLE</b> <small>(Business title of person signing above)</small>		
<b>PRINTED NAME</b> <small>(Printed name of person signing above)</small>	<b>DATE SIGNED</b>	

(See "Signing Your Offer" provision.)

Instructions regarding Offeror's name: Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the offeror above. An offer may be submitted by only one legal entity. The entity named as the offeror must be a single and distinct legal entity. Do not use the name of a branch office or a division of a larger entity if the branch or division is not a separate legal entity, i.e., a separate corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, etc.

<b>STATE OF INCORPORATION</b> <small>(if offeror is a corporation, identify the state of Incorporation.)</small>	
<b>TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NO.</b> <small>(See "Taxpayer Identification Number" provision)</small>	<b>STATE VENDOR NO.</b>

**Amendment Number Two**  
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Acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to date and time specified in the solicitation, or as amended, by one of the following methods: (A) by signed and returning one copy of this amendment with your bid; (B) by acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (C) by separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment number(s). Failure of your acknowledgement to be received at the issuing office prior to date and time specified may result in rejection of your offer. If, by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by letter or telegram, provided such letter or telegram makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment and is received prior to date and time specified.

**Questions and Answers**

1. Question: Can you please clarify the unit of estimated usage for ITEM 2 section VII. Bidding Schedule. It states, "Estimated usage - 100 per year". What does the "100" refer to in this context?

*Answer: 100 tests per year.*

2. Question: Under section II -B Special instructions, it states: "No Cost per test Agreements will be signed by the State nor SCDHEC" contradicts Section III, sub category A. KITS/REAGENT SPECIFICATIONS, number 3; "The price per test shall include all reagents , controls, standards...etc." Can you please clarify if vendors are permitted to submit a price per test as a proposal for this bid?

*Answer: Vendors are allowed to submit a price per test.*

**The solicitation is amended as follows:**

**Instructions to Offerors**

1. *Award will be made by Cost per Test.*
2. *No cost per test Agreements will be signed. SCDHEC will not enter into a contract if a bidder specifies that a certain number of tests must be purchased.*

**THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING OFFERS (BIDS) FOR THE IFB HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO 2:30 PM ET ON DECEMBER 13, 2007.**

**The Award will be posted on December 20, 2007.**